

1903 DECEMBER 1903

Calendar table for December 1903 with days of the week and dates.

MOON'S PHASES table showing moon phases and times for the month.

PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S walking stick was sold recently at public auction in New York for \$145.

In order not to be outdone by Panama, Columbia now offers to give us the canal rights free. Too late!

MR. CLEVELAND sighs for no more power. The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world, anyway.

SENATOR LODGE has introduced a bill in Congress barring out all immigrants over fifteen years old who cannot read and write English.

AFTER throwing away the key to the construction of the isthmian canal, Columbia is trying to pick the lock with a piece of crooked wire.

SOME men have no forgiveness in their souls. Col. Bryan hated Mr. Cleveland for posing as a candidate, and now he hates him for declining.

THERE was very little comfort for the Democrats in the elections of 1903, and Congressman Grosvenor can't promise them much for next year.

AS a diversion from her bottle-smashing expeditions and her wrecking of stage scenery, Mrs. Nation has started a crusade against undressed art.

A MILLION young men will cast their first presidential vote in 1904. They will have little use for a party with a big pack of blunders and present lack of issues.

SENATOR GORMAN'S attitude on the race question is not approved by the Northern Democrats, who are now talking of Judge Parker, Hearst or Olney for the Democratic nomination.

J. PIERPONT MORGAN has been shorn of his power and will probably lose the bulk of his riches. Can it be that Mr. Carnegie is going to have company in his penniless journey to the grave?

THE Hon. William J. Bryan recently took lunch with the Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, but as the former colonial secretary probably never read the Commoner's remarks on the Boer war, he did not appreciate the humor of the situation.

IN the list of committee appointments made by Speaker Cannon, which were published on Sunday, the name of J. C. Stiles, of this district, appears as Chairman of Manufactures, and he is also on the Committee on Postoffices and Post-roads.

WHEN a new paper writer proceeds to present reasons why Roosevelt should not be the nominee of the next Republican National Convention, he finds himself up against a difficult proposition. The writers who have undertaken to show his weakness have only demonstrated their own.—Blizzard.

CAPTAIN HOBSON has prepared a bill to be introduced in the House which would make the United States the greatest naval power in the world. All that it requires is an appropriation of \$2,750,000,000. The naval hero fails to realize that there is no good reason why the United States should have the largest navy in the world.

THE Panama newspapers are urging the new government to occupy all the small islands near the coast in the Caribbean Sea, as the United States might later be induced to buy them for coaling stations. While Uncle Sam pays cash for anything they have to sell, he will be popular with the small Central or South American republics.

DURING a short tour abroad William J. Bryan will study the social and economic questions of England, Germany, France and Italy. He will publish in his paper the results of his study and his followers will doubtless regard him as the first authority on foreign affairs. The "peerless leader" will probably publish lots of advice to Secretary Hay on questions of European diplomacy.

THE President writes that the way to guard against corruption in any great business like the post office is to "rigorously scrutinize the character of those appointed, carefully to supervise their actions after appointment, and, finally, to punish with relentless severity those who go wrong." It is added that "all this is being done" in the Postoffice Department. The people are glad to hear it.

President Roosevelt's Message.

The first page of the REPUBLICAN is given up today to the publication of President Roosevelt's annual message to Congress. The document is not lengthy, so that any one can read it in a short time, and if it were double in length it would well repay a careful perusal. Nothing is omitted that should be said concerning the state of the Union, and there is no "going round the bush" on any subject, be it ever so delicate, and the paper is calm and conservative, yet firm, on all points, with no attempt at equivocation. It is just such a document as the American people would expect from their idolized chief executive. Read it.

The P. O. Investigations.

The publication of the condensed report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, accompanied by a memorandum by President Roosevelt, has furnished no information on the postal scandals, but it throws much light on the manner in which the investigations have been carried on. No one who reads it can fail to be convinced of the able, thorough and impartial manner in which the dishonest transactions begun by Machen in 1893, during President Cleveland's administration and lasting up to within the last few months, were exposed regardless of the prominence and political influence of those concerned.

When, in January, the President was first informed of the condition of affairs in the Post Office Department, he gave Mr. Bristow full power to carry out a relentless investigation, in which he was aided by 40 inspectors. For many months they worked hard and faithful. The records of 1,000 post-offices were examined and the files of many divisions of the department for the last years were scrutinized. As a result four officers of the department have resigned and thirteen have been removed. Forty-four indictments have been found, involving thirty-one persons. The total amount which the dishonest officials received by fraudulent means is about \$400,000, but this amount is small compared to the loss of the government by the purchasing of unnecessary or inferior supplies at exorbitant rates. This amount cannot be accurately estimated.

In his review of the report, the President expresses thorough satisfaction with the work of Mr. Bristow and makes plain the intention of the administration to do all possible to bring the offenders, officials and others, to justice. He approves the recommendation of Special Counsel Bonaparte and Conrad that the statute of limitations be extended in the case of government servants to a period of at least five years. The Attorney General will recommend such a law in his report to Congress. The President rightly says, "No crime calls for sterner reprobation than the crime of the corruptionist in public life and of the man who seeks to corrupt him. The bribe-giver and the bribe-taker are equally guilty."

Opponents of the administration, who hope to make political capital out of the postal frauds, should remember that President Roosevelt is entitled to the credit of directing one of the most thorough investigations of public corruption which have yet been made.

Mayburg.

No time to write last week. Wm. A. Reese late mill locs at this place, moves his family to Sheffield. Wm. is running a mill near Dubring. His brother, Frank, moved there and is working on the same mill.

The logging machine erected by Fred Hall for Brown & McManigle has turned out a complete success. Its principal feature is loading logs without skidding. It will haul logs 500 feet through the brush without much road, and put them on the cars ready for hauling to the mill.

F. K. Brown met with what might have been a fatal accident this week, if it had not been for his seeing it coming. He was helping to fix the track on the high trestle on which stood a car load of hardwood plank. He stepped below to a board pile to let the load pass. By some means or other it slipped and toward him. The only thing to do was to jump or be crushed. Frank jumped, but in alighting sprained his ankle to such an extent that he has been confined to the house ever since.

Wm. A. Hartman, who fell from a building five or six weeks ago and sprained his foot, is getting well very slowly.

Mrs. Linnie Catlin and son, of Kellettsville, were visiting at J. G. Richards. W. A. Long has moved into the house vacated by W. A. Reese.

Many strangers in town, but its hard to get their names. George Nicholson, wife and son, and Miss Gappety, all of Oil City, are visiting at Wm. Richards. Mrs. Richards and Mrs. Nicholson are sisters.

A new blacksmith shop is going up for the mill property. Peter Nelson is laid off with a sore hand.

Ground was broken to-day for a new house for the Cook Oil Lease, to be occupied by Jacob Lindsay, one of the clearing out crew.

Repairs on the house of George Hartman makes it much more comfortable. Oil advanced five cents on Friday, which makes it worth \$2.97 here. A good price.

L. R. Brennan, an old Cook Lease boy, now working for the Wilburine Pipe Line, was in town last week.

The sleighing is very good, and the tinkling of the sleigh bells is pleasant to the ear. And I think I hear—it may be a good ways off—the tinkling of wedding bells, "but don't mention it."

T. D. Collins was in town Saturday, calling at the Cook Oil Lease office and at F. K. Brown's residence.

I met Mr. Collins the other day on the cars, when he got to talking over old times, the early days of lumbering on Beaver creek, and the Tionesta. Those were stirring times, and also times of very close margins. Lumber then did not sell for cash as it does now. It was a constant struggle to make both ends meet. Then rattling to Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Louisville and other points, and may be walking back over the hills from Pittsburgh, times when this section was one vast wilderness, yet with some men forging to the front and making home and fortune out of lands that the great mass of men feared and shunned. Times of hardships almost incomprehensible to the easy going men of to-day. Then his early life of railroading. Hard times, hard work, but always pushing to the top. Such folk know how the top rung is gained. It's so different from the fellow born with a silver spoon in his mouth, shoved to the top by money and friends. When he gets there he don't know where he is at, and is in danger of tumbling off into oblivion. But there is no forgetting the lower rounds of the ladder to the man who, with willing hands, alert brains and an obedient spirit, entered the wilderness and wrote his name there forever.

Some years ago I had a long talk with Hamilton Stow, on my way to Pittsburgh. He had retired from the lumber business and was just waiting for that eternal rest which we all hope for. I remember the

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